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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please enter the following amendment before examination and assessing claim fees:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification

The instant application was filed in the French language. Being filed concurrently herewith is an English language literal translation of the French text.

In addition, please enter the attached substitute specification in place of the aforementioned literal translation of the original French text.

In accordance with U.S. Patent and Trademark Office practice, also attached is a marked-up version of the substitute specification, showing by underlining and bracketing, where revisions are made to the English language literal translation of the original French text.